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BATTLESHIP RECORD.

The Monarch complete in Twenty Months.

The contract date for completing the four "contingent" Dreadnoughts of the 1909-10 programme is March 31 next, but in the case of the battleship Monarch, at all events, this date will be considerably anticipated.

Laid down at the Elswick works of Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., on April 1, 1910, and launched on March 31 last, the Monarch arrived at Devonport Dockyard on November 13 to be prepared for her official trials. The work was to begin on December 1, and would end—so far as the machinery was concerned—with an eight hours' full speed run on December 9. After that, the ship will be put through her gun and other trials, and should, if all goes well, be ready for commissioning by the end of January.

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The united efforts of the steamers Loongwo and Suivo to tow the Kutwo off the Yangtze bank on which she stranded proved fruitless, and on December 9 the vessel was still on the bank, with digging operations under her bottom being continued. Arrangements were later made for the Tuckwo, which is expected to ship a fair cargo at Hankow, to make another attempt to tow her off during her downward bound trip on December 19.

Information has been received at Shanghai through H.M. Consul-General that advice from Nanking state that the Indo-China steamer Kwangyang which left Woeung, escorted by H.M. destroyer Whiting, with a detachment of the Yorkshire regiment for Hankow, was suspected of carrying arms and ammunition for the Imperialists and would be stopped at Nanking. As, however, the vessel had no contraband of war on board, it is probable that the revolutionary authorities were satisfied with a formal search of the ship.

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every foreign observer who has studied the Chinese question is of the opinion that a republic for China is a mad scheme, fantastic the dream of idealists, not the well-thought-out plan of practical statesmen and administrators, and we are of the same opinion. Yet Dr. Wu Ting-fang tells his fellow Cantonese that that is the only question of importance for the Conference to debate. We have on many occasions of late urged in these columns that China is not sufficiently advanced in the scale of social, mental or political development to set up and work the machinery of a modern republic. Granted that the Chinese are the most democratic of races, they still are not of the timber of which republican nations are made, and this would soon become apparent, we imagine, if the Cantonese idea is forced upon the nation. In saying this we do not forget that many of the Reformers are very learned men, well-versed in the literature of the West. As the *National Review* reminds us, many of them "are excellently well read in the great political writings of the centuries. They have the theory of government at their fingers' ends, whether monarchical, democratic, republican or what else. They probably know more about republicanism than Plato ever dreamed, and more about monarchies than Burke himself could have imagined." But much reading is apt to addle brains, as an East Anglian proverb has it. We live in a practical world to-day, and it is a practical solution of the present problem, and not an airy, idealistic dream, that the Chinese people ask of the negotiators now assembled at Shanghai.

BIRTH.

Hicks.—On the 20th December, at 2, Ormsby Villas, Kowloon, to Mr. and Mrs. FRED HICKS, a son.

MARRIAGE.

LEUNG DEATON.—At Saint John's Cathedral, Hongkong, on the 20th instant, by the Reverend Frederick Trench Johnson, M.A., WILLIAM LAUGHTON LEUNG, to Miss MARY DEATON, M.A., daughter of William L. Deaton, Esq., Perth, Scotland.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

League Football:—Naval Yard v. R.A. on Naval Ground, Hongkong, 9 P.M. on Military Ground.
2.30 p.m.—Legislative Council Meeting.
5 p.m.—Prize Giving by H.E. the Governor at St. Joseph's College.
9.15 p.m.—Kovarik's Concert at the Theatre Royal.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, December 22.—9 p.m.—Hongkong Police Ball.

SATURDAY, December 23.—12.30 p.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club.
Match on H.K.C.C. Ground, H.K.C.C. v. Golf Club.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20, 1911.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

Now that peace negotiations are formally proceeding at Shanghai, with H. E. TANG SHAO-YI representing the Imperialists and Dr. WU TING-FANG, the well-known Cantonese, leading for the Revolutionists, we may expect to receive many strange and impossible rumours. But we think that even before the Japanese Foreign

Office denial appeared, most people had dismissed as improbable the *Yorodzu Choko's* story that Japan and England had mutually agreed upon a course of intervention in the peace negotiations, and the further elaboration of evidently the same invention, that the respective Consuls at Shanghai of these two Powers would have seats at the Council board.

From the very beginning of the present upheaval all foreign nations interested in China were fully prepared to admit that the quarrel was one for China alone to decide; members of her own family, as it were, had fallen out among themselves regarding the best method of governing the nation, and therefore China had to seek her own solution of the problem without interference from the outside. And that attitude, we venture to suggest, is maintained to this hour by all the western powers, and will be maintained till the end. If the present conference results in something tangible and China comes into possession of a practical form of government then the outside Powers will be found ready, and willing to afford her all the advice, support and sympathy that she may need in carrying the new system into effect. Beyond that we do not see that China need fear any interference while she is settling her house in order.

A good deal of scepticism exists regarding the possibility of the Shanghai conference coming to any workable decision. The crux of the situation is the demand of the Revolutionists to set up a form of Republic. Nearly

every foreign observer who has studied the Chinese question is of the opinion that a republic for China is a mad scheme, fantastic the dream of idealists, not the well-thought-out plan of practical statesmen and administrators, and we are of the same opinion. Yet Dr. Wu Ting-fang tells his fellow Cantonese that that is the only question of importance for the Conference to debate. We have on many occasions of late urged in these columns that China is not sufficiently advanced in the scale of social, mental or political development to set up and work the machinery of a modern republic. Granted that the Chinese are the most democratic of races, they still are not of the timber of which republican nations are made, and this would soon become apparent, we imagine, if the Cantonese idea is forced upon the nation. In saying this we do not forget that many of the Reformers are very learned men, well-versed in the literature of the West. As the *National Review* reminds us, many of them "are excellently well read in the great political writings of the centuries. They have the theory of government at their fingers' ends, whether monarchical, democratic, republican or what else. They probably know more about republicanism than Plato ever dreamed, and more about monarchies than Burke himself could have imagined." But much reading is apt to addle brains, as an East Anglian proverb has it. We live in a practical world to-day, and it is a practical solution of the present problem, and not an airy, idealistic dream, that the Chinese people ask of the negotiators now assembled at Shanghai.

WEDDING AT THE UNION CHURCH.

Kinghorn-Kennedy.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated at the Union Church this morning when Miss Jean Shepherd Kennedy, daughter of Mr. John Kennedy, Causeway Bay, was married to Mr. John Richard Kinghorn. Both the bride and groom were natives of the Colony and it was only natural that there should be a large gathering at the Church.

The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. David Kennedy, was attended by her sisters, Miss Kate Kennedy and Miss Maud Kennedy as bridesmaids while Mr. S. G. Bolger was the groomsmen.

The bride was attired in a gown of white chiffon cloth trimmed with heavy silk embroidery, lace and silk fringe after the style of Fichu Marie Antoinette, together with a silk veil and orange blossoms; while the bridesmaids wore gowns of champagne silk voile over the same shade of satin trimmed with old vieux rose satin. They also wore large black satin hats with trimmings of old vieux rose executed in the latest and most up-to-date fashion by Madame Flint.

The bride's bouquet consisted of white roses and maiden-hair ferns with long white streamers, while those of the bridesmaids were of pink roses with pink satin streamers.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Hickling. Mr. Chapman presided at the organ.

Subsequently a reception was held at the Grand Hotel, and later in the day the happy couple left for Macao where the honeymoon is to be spent.

Amongst the list of presents were these from:—Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas, silver tea service; Mr. Beaumont, silver cream and milk stand; Mr. and Mrs. Cowen, silver and mother of pearl fruit stand; Mr. J. Lennox, Mr. Malcolm, Mr. Murray and Captain Jones, silver tea and coffee service; Mr. and Mrs. Geddes, cheese dish; Mr. and Mrs. Capell, silver photo frames; Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, blackwood photo frames; Mrs. Nicolay, silver jolly spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones, tea cloth; Mr. S. G. Bolger, silver vases; Mr. and Mrs. Walters, blackwood fire screen; Mr. and Mrs. McGibbon, blackwood stool; Mr. and Mrs. Hyde, French clock; Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, blackwood photo frames; Mr. and Mrs. Wynne, silver and crystal tea basket; Mr. Peel and Mr. Glendinning, silver butter dish; Mrs. Silva, serviette rings; Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt, silver better dish; Mr. Charles Cowley Nelson, silver knives and forks; Mr. Whitelaw, silver flower vases; Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, set of silver sugar spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Brotherton Harker, silver and crystal jolly dishes; Miss Brotherton Harker, silver pepper and salt stand; Mr. E. E. Smith, set of silver tea and coffee spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Milne, silver manure set; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kew, silver serviette rings; Miss Schmidt, silver menu stands; Mrs. R. A. Ramsay, silver bombon dishes; Mr. and Mrs. Bain, silver card case; Mr. A. B. Bell, silver salt cellars; Mr. W. R. Runcie, silver mustard pot; Mrs. Quinn, silver pepper holders; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Crappell, silver flower vases; Mr. A. Jenkins, silver butter dish and knife; Mr. D. Kennedy, tea kettle; Miss Kennedy, diamond and emerald pendant; besides numerous others.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Two dead bodies were picked up in the street on Tuesday.

We have received two calendars of the Bernese Alps Milk Co. for whom Messrs F. Blackhead and Co. are the sole agents in Hongkong and Canton.

The Xmas Tree for member's wives and children of the Civil Service Cricket Club, will be dismantled on the 23rd December, at 2.30 p.m.

The *Bangkok Times* records a Coronation capture of opium, the Siamese customs authorities having seized upwards of 120 tons of opium, value Tes. 11,000, aboard the steamer *Drauf*.

Two pork-butchers at Saiwanho market had a quarrel during which chop-axes were used. One man was seriously wounded and had to be taken to hospital while the other man had an artery severed.

No less than 119,356 tons of shipping, exclusive of the smaller craft, have entered Hongkong Harbour since Saturday. Of the total number 18 were British, 3 Norwegian, 1 American, 1 Chinese, 9 German, 3 French, 1 Austrian, 9 Japanese.

The Supreme Court at Washington has denied the motion for the rehearing of the American Tobacco Trust case, and has ordered the execution of the sentence of dissolution. This means that the trust will be divided into four distinct companies none of which will have a controlling influence.

It is understood, says *Leading Light* that the Douglas Steamship Company have put a large claim to the China Merchants, for salvage services rendered to the company's steamer *Tocuan* by the Haiyang when the former vessel broke her tail shaft outside of Arley and was towed in from Quemoy Spit by the Haiyang during heavy weather.

The Maharaja of Tagore has included a musical band of ancient India as one of the items in the Calcutta demonstration during the Royal visit. This band will consist of about a hundred men who will play military marches in Indian melody. The musical instruments will be those as used in ancient India. It will be a novel and unique feature.

At the International peace meeting held on Dec. 18th at Carnegie Hall in New York City, which was attended by Senator Elihu Root and many other eminent persons, President Nicholas Murray Butler, of Columbia University, urged the immediate ratification of the Anglo-American peace treaty.

great opposition, and the meeting broke up in disorder. Irish and Germans in the audience participated in the demonstration.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The eldest brother of Sun Yat-sen passed through Hongkong to-day on his way to Macao, where he will await the arrival of the reformer.

The death is announced of Colonel Edward Hall, the oldest officer of the Indian Army and last surviving officer of the old 62nd Bengal Infantry.

Mr R. E. Erison, of the Sanitary Board, Ipoh, while riding his motor bicycle from Kuala Kangsar the other day, came into violent collision with Dr. Waugh Scott's motor-car. Mr. Erison received such serious injuries that his life is despaired of.

Why did the German Emperor elect to have drawings of British battleships on his Christmas cards? This is a question asked in the *Daily Mirror*, which reproduces a specimen of the cards, showing Christmas greetings being signalled by the latest type of British Dreadnought to Nelson's famous flagship, the *Victory*.

At Bombay, on the 4th inst., the King notified among the naval officers present Flag Lieutenant E. Waite, and commanded him to his presence and shook hands with him. His Majesty remembered his having been on board the H.M.S. *Indomitable* four years ago when His Majesty, then Prince of Wales, travelled to North America and Canada.

His Majesty the King of Siam has graciously conferred the Grand Cross of the Most Noble Order of the *Ala Chakri* upon the following:—H.R.H. Prince Wilhelm of Sweden; H.R.H. Prince Boris of Russia; H.R.H. Prince Alexander of Teck; H.R.H. Prince Fushimi. Upon B. E. Mons. De Margerie His Majesty conferred the Grand Cross of the Order of the *White Elephant*. Upon the following the Grand Cross of the *Crown of Siam* was conferred:—H.E. the Marquis E. D. de la Perouse; H.E. Chamberlain Count T. Bolata. Korobrodski; and H.E. Senator Luis Pastor.

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WEDDING AT ST. JOHN'S.

Leask-Beaton.

There was a very distinctive Scottish touch about the wedding which took place this afternoon at St. John's Cathedral, when Miss A. E. Mabel Beaton, M.A., daughter of Mr. William Leslie Beaton, of Perth, Scotland, and a niece of Dr. Rennie, once a well-known resident of the Colony, was joined in the bonds of holy matrimony with Mr. William Laughton Leask, of Messrs Leigh and Orange, architects, Hongkong. The sacred edifice was prettily decorated with palms and chrysanthemums, and the service was fully choral, Mr. Denman Fuller, F.R.C.O., presiding at the organ.

The bride, who entered the church on the arm of Mr. F. H. Holyoak, who subsequently gave her away, was attired in a dress of pink cream satin, with pearl and silver trimmings, having a new panel train with a true lover's knot in one corner; and orange blossoms and white heather spray. She wore a well surmounted by orange blossoms, and white heather also adorned her hair. Her bouquet was composed of white chrysanthemums and white heather. The bride was attended by two dainty little bridesmaids, the Misses Joyce and Dorothy Holyoak. They were dressed in long pale pink dresses, with white chiffon fichus, large pink satin hats, lined with white chiffon under the brim, with pink roses and wide strings; pink satin shoes and white silk mittens. They carried small bouquets of pink roses tied with pink satin ribbons, and each wore gold band bracelets, gifts of the bridegroom.

The ceremony was performed by the senior chaplain, the Rev. F. T. Johnson. Mr. A. Fryer was the best man.

The bride's gift to the bridegroom comprised gold links and gold studs; the bridegroom's gift being a gold watch bracelet.

A reception was afterwards held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Holyoak, Capetown, Barker road, which was very largely attended. The bride's going-away costume was composed of grey silk crepe, with sealskin toque, muff and stole to match.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT ST. FRANCIS' SCHOOL.

The annual prize distribution in connection with St. Francis' School, Wanchai, took place this afternoon in the presence of a large attendance. A fine programme was admirably gone through and included addresses, by Misses B. de Jesus, L. Gandale, M. Cordeiro, S. Remedios, and B. Langenberg. Eighteen little children accompanied by Miss R. Stainfield gave a song entitled "God, Father, Son, Holy Spirit." The Misses A. Tolan and L. Wilkinson recited a "Christmas letter," Miss R. Tolan sang "Chimney sweeper," accompanied by Miss E. Stainfield, while the Misses Stainfield were responsible for a duet. "The fairies and their friends" was also given by eight children; Fairy, Queen, Miss A. Goulding; Solo, Miss A. Fernandez; "The Orphan, her Angel, her benefactress" Misses E. Stainfield, R. Stainfield, E. Wilkinson, accompanied by Miss M. Alwee; Solo, Miss M. Alwee; Recitation, "Little Christel," Miss E. Wilkinson; Britannia, action songs, fancy drill, male dance, Miss E. Tolan and 32 children, accompanied by Miss R. Stainfield.

At the conclusion of the entertainment Mrs. Crosswell Eyres kindly presented the prizes.

MURDER BY WHOLESALE IN CANTON.

Lawlessness Runs Riot.

A well-known Chinese resident of Hongkong returned from Canton this morning. He tells a terrible tale of the lawlessness now running riot in the City of Rams. On an average ten murders take place every day. These are perpetrated by former brigands and pirates, and the victims are invariably minor officials of the old regime or small gang whom the brigands believe to have laid information against them in days gone by.

The provisional Government seems helpless to bring the murderers to book, or even stem the trouble, for the City is entirely dominated by the chiefs of the old pirate gangs. So far as foreigners are concerned Canton is quite safe to visit, but when the brigands have finished murdering all the Chinese suspects, who is to say that they will be kept under control? The sooner some strong man can be sent to restore peace and good order the better.

TO-MORROW'S CONCERT.

Kovarik the Boy Violinist.

Mr. Kovarik's Concert at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, to-morrow evening promises to be a treat which all lovers of high class music in the Colony should not miss on any account. The first number on the programme—Violin solo accompanied by full orchestra—is a novel item for Hongkong. We hear it is very fine.

The booking, which is at Moutrie's, is going on apace, so we advise those who have not yet bought their seats to do so without about delay, or they will find the best seats in the theatre have been secured.

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MACAO DELIMITATION GLEANINGS.

[Specially Written for the "CHINA MAIL".]

(Continued.)

I have by no means come to the end of my tether as regards the island of Lappa, but check by jowl with the expediency of regarding a few trump cards should eventually prove too fine, the major residue of my documentary stock has a kindred relevancy to the territorial waters which I shall handle in good season. The same remark attaches to the island of Colowan. And who says Colowan says Taipa, for the Macao Government has fathered a twin concern on these dependencies which, like two peas in a pod, I find christened in colonial records "The administration of the Council of Taipa and Colowan" subordinate to an "Administrador do Conselho" who was appointed for the first time by Governor Correa da Silva in the person of Captain Reis, by virtue of ordinance of 8th September, 1878, "to meet the rapid development of the population and of the needs of the inhabitants of Taipa and Colowan as well as the exigency of determining the attributions of civil authority." Prior to this date the islands had a specific self-organization ruled and directed by a municipal committee. As in the case of Lappa, the most diligent researches have not tended one iota to unearth any vestiges of Chinese jurisdiction in Colowan and Taipa.

"With the object of bringing the municipal constitution of the Council of Colowan and Taipa under a systematic regime and conformably to the law, pending the formation of a municipal chamber in the terms of the decree of 1st December 1869," the Governor nominated "the Chinese citizens Chiam Chien Han and Ho Ah Quin to act as municipal commissioners" on 27th December, 1878. The islands were garriooned by Portuguese troops and on 31st March, 1879, Governor Lobo d'Avila sanctioned a vote of \$3100 by way of initial expenses towards the building of barracks in Colowan, near which a small battery was raised on 19th December 1884. The Governor commanded on 16th June 1888 that "from 1st July next the military complement at Taipa and Colowan was to be made up of two detachments, one from the Macao Police Corps counting 1 subaltern officer, 4 corporals and 20 rank and file, and the other from the "Batalhão Nacional" comprising 3 corporals and 18 privates. The first contingent was to be stationed on Taipa, minus 1 corporal and 6 privates who were destined for Colowan, while the second body was to be distributed among the outposts of the forts in Taipa, Colowan and Seong Sa. An edict of 9th May adjusted and defined the revenue and expenditure of the islands, the latter to be a municipal board on identical lines with the one at Taipa.

On 24th August, 1886, the Provincial Council approved the raising of cattle sheds in Taipa and Colowan. A receiver of taxes for the said districts was appointed by Ordinance of 28th August, 1879, and the post was announced as thereafter distinct from the office of "Administrador do Conselho." The islands were also blessed with ecclesiastical government and boasted a kindergarten. Ordinances of 31st March, 1879, and 13th February, 1883, told of Superior sanction for the erection of a hermitage and a church respectively in Taipa where also the building of a retreat for female lepers was authorized by ordinance of 4th April, 1884. The appendancies under review contributed regularly to state and municipality alike. The procedures in the collection of taxes from the population in Taipa was defined by ordinance of 30th June, 1882, and fixed at 800 p.s. The people of Taipa were exempted from tithes for one year from 19th March, 1883, consequent on a terrible destruction of property by fire. An ordinance was issued on 27th December, 1879, whereby the tax on fish was to continue in operation and the grant for its exclusive right of sale was annulled.

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Protect of the Chinese who settled all squabbles. In a word, the islands concerned resorted to all the elements embodied in a thoroughgoing mode of government in every conceivable sense of the word. China herself, who is so justly proud when her territorial rights are in jeopardy was never known, till latterly, to question the freedom of Taipa or Colowan. Nay, she even made it a point not to foot any proceedings on the islands which had not previously been endorsed by the Portuguese powers. Writing to the Protector of the Chinese on 11th March, 1870, the Magistrate of the Sam Hui district notified that "I am in receipt of a despatch from the Viceroy saying that the English vessel *Crofton* had encountered a storm and that the crew had left in a lifeboat for a place called Oh Po Mee where they landed and were murdered by pirates. Residents in Vong Cam arrested nine evil-doers, Yee Kun Lang and others who were taken to Canton. Later, the Portuguese minister, resident in Macao, informed the Viceroy in a despatch that one Yung Ah Niu had been an eyewitness of the crime, in consequence of which he had been ordered to proceed to Canton to give evidence.

The Colonel of Tai Pang has written me saying that Shoo Ah Kiu, etc. had been summoned as witnesses on the 11th day of the present moon. As for this purpose, the men shall have to pass through Colowan of Macao, and as in Colowan there always are soldiers stationed by your goodness to protect the place, I have to request you kindly to give instructions to your European soldiers who are in Colowan so that when my staffs proceed to Vong Cam to summon Yu Tai Tun, they do not place any difficulties in the way.

The Governor of the Heung Shan district addressed the Protector of the Chinese on 29th August, 1872, as follows: "I have the honour to inform you that Luo Tai San and other Governors of the Sam Sam district have petitioned me revealing the fact of the evil-doer Ching Chai Lap, a league committed degradation in Sam Ohe and other villages. Despite orders issued for him to give my men the spoil. Petitioners having engaged spies to discover and arrest the criminal, Ching Chai Lap, etc. had been out that they were arrested on the 8th day of 8th moon, that the culprit was in Taipa, hence petitioners approached the Portuguese authorities and asked for leave to arrest him. He was arrested and is now in the Macao gao. To effect his extradition it will be necessary for the Governor of Heung Shan to apply to the Portuguese authorities for his delivery. So the petitioners now request you to address your authorities on the point. In view of this petition I have the honour to ask you to graciously hand over to my ordering. Han Kai the said evil-doer Ching Chai Lap so that he may be tried here."

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

The Post Office will be open on Christmas day, on Tuesday the 26th instant, and on Monday the 1st January from 8 to 9 a.m. only.

In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe on the 1st January the Post Office will be open one hour for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery and one collection of letters each day as on Sunday.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

Eighteen gamblers appeared at the Magistrate's court this morning before Mr. E. A. Irving, when two were fined \$30 each or three months' imprisonment. One of these two was also fined \$3 for being the bank keeper. The remainder were fined \$5 each. Sergeant Brown made the arrest at No. 49 Battery Street, Yuenat.

The master of water boat VI was fined \$5 by Commander O. W. Bockwith, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, for failing to blow three short blasts on his whistle to indicate that his engines were going astern. Two masters of passenger boats were fined \$5 each for failing to have two males as part of their crew.

Our readers will no doubt remember the prosecution at the Criminal Sessions in May last, before a special jury, of Li Hon Chi on a charge of publishing literature calculated to excite tumult and disorder in China, when the prisoner was sentenced to two years' hard labour. We now learn that upon a petition presented by the prisoner's solicitor, His Excellency the Governor yesterday ordered the discharge of Li Hon Chi.

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UNREST IN SCOTLAND.

SERIOUS RIOTING IN DUNDEE.

Military Called Out.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 20.

Serious rioting has taken place at Dundee, where striking carters and dockers have been throwing stones into the river. Police charges were ordered to break up the mob.

Contingents of Glasgow and Edinburgh police have arrived on the scene and three hundred soldiers have been ordered to proceed to Dundee.

LATER.

The millworker has joined the strikers, owing to the closing of seven mills, due to lack of transport.

The strikers have grown quite restless. There have been hand to hand fights. The workers in the Castle Market wards have to be escorted by police.

THE REVOLUTION.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Shanghai states that Tang Shao-yi, representing the Imperialists, and Wu Ting-fang, representing the Republicans, have opened a conference with a view to concluding peace.

TROOPS MURDER GENERAL.

Reuter's Peking correspondent wires that "Tsin Fang," ex-Director-General of the Hukwang railway, has been murdered by his troops at Tzschow.

MESSAGE FROM THE LEGATIONS.

LATER.

The foreign Legations in Peking, with the authoritative permission of their respective governments, have through the Consuls sent a message to the Peace Conference now assembled in Shanghai, urging the importance of a friendly settlement in the interests both of China herself and of the foreigners dwelling therein.

THE CONSULS' ADVICE.

(From our own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 20.

The Consuls of Great Britain, France, Germany, America, Japan and Russia have presented an identical Note to Tang Shao-yi and Wu Ting-fang, urging the conclusion of peace. This they have done on instructions received from the Legations in Peking.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 20.

On receiving Yun Shih-kai's answer, agreeing to stop fighting everywhere, the peace negotiations began to-day. The military governments in various provinces have wired to Shanghai that a Republican government must be demanded and only the two chief representatives should have the right to speak.

PEKING, Dec. 20.

The British and Japanese ministers have notified the Wai-wu-pu that their governments will render advice in the peace negotiations.

THE HAWKE-OLYMPIC COLLISION.

DECISION IN THE ADMIRALTY COURT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, December 19.

In the High Court of Justice, Admiralty Division, Lord Justice Evans has given judgment in the cross actions arising out of the collision between H.M.S. Hawke and the White Star liner Olympic at Southampton in September last.

His Lordship attributed the collision to the Olympic coming too close to the Hawke, and this was solely due to the faulty navigation of the Olympic's pilot, who took too wide a sweep round the West Bramble buoy. He considered her speed was too great, but witnesses stated; also after tests which had been carried out he accepted the theory that the collision pulled the Hawke into the Olympic. He consequently gave judgment with costs for the Commander of the Hawke and judgment for the Olympic on the defence of compulsory pilotage without costs.

BY TELEGRAPH.

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CRICKET AT THE ANTIPODES.

PROGRESS OF FIRST TEST MATCH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, December 19.

A hot, high, dusty wind was blowing when the first Test Match was continued to-day before a fair attendance. The wicket was again good. Australia's second innings realised 308, to which Kellaway contributed 70 and Hill 65. Douglas captured four wickets for 50, and Foster five for 92.

In their second innings England lost a wicket for 65 runs.

MR. WARNER'S CONDITION.

LATER.

Reuter's Sydney correspondent telegraphs that Mr. Warner is now steadily progressing toward recovery. There is a faint hope that he may be able to play in the fifth test match.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

TO DRAW CLOSER TO HONGKONG.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

Sir West Ridgeway, ex-Governor of Ceylon, leaves to-morrow to join the P. & O. Macedonia at Marseilles. He visits Singapore and Hongkong to confer with the Governors regarding the interests which the Straits Settlements and Hongkong have in common with North Borneo. He will tour the whole of the country administered by the North Borneo Company to investigate the conditions, with a view to the further development of the country. He will return to England at the end of April.

TURKEY, EGYPT AND ITALY.

A SIGNIFICANT MOVE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The Egyptian Government has sent a company of soldiers to occupy the Sollum district of Barca, which Turkey has temporarily ceded to Egypt till the end of the war.

STIFF-NECKED PERSIA.

SOLUTION OF RUSSIAN DIFFICULTY REJECTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Tiberias states that the Mejlis has rejected the Cabinet's proposed solution of the Russian crisis. It is reported that the Russians will advance their troops on the 21st.

BOXING.

WELLS WINS HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Nov. 19.

At the National Sporting Club, Wells, the English heavy-weight champion, knocked out the South African champion, Starbeck, in the eleventh round.

THE STRANDED DELHI.

GOLD BEING LANDED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

Forty cases of gold have been landed from the P. & O. steamer Delhi, now stranded near Cape Spartel, north Morocco. The vessel's bottom is bulging upward and she is straining amidships. The Delhi is gradually filling. All the crew have been landed.

RUSSIA AND AMERICA.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TAFT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

President Taft has sent a message to the Senate informing its members that he sent a notification to Russia on the 13th instant which stated that the American Ambassador at St. Petersburg had been instructed to emphasize the great value attached by the Government of the United States to strengthening the cordiality of the historic relations between the two countries.

Mr. Lodge has presented a resolution, approving of Mr. Taft's action, consideration of which was adjourned.

BY TELEGRAPH.

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AVIATION SCHOOL IN AUSTRALIA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne states that the Commonwealth is establishing an army aviation school.

ADVANCE AUSTRALIA.

A COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME OF DEVELOPMENT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

In the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth Parliament, Mr. Josiah Thomas announced that the Government's policy for developing the Northern Territory includes the extension of the railways, the encouragement of horse breeding, the establishment of freezing works, and the inauguration of a vigorous immigration policy from Europe.

BRILLIANT SOCIETY WEDDING.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The wedding of the Hon. Louisa Knollys, daughter of Lord Knollys, and Mr. Alan Mackenzie, of the Grenadier Guards, which took place at the Guards chapel, was a most brilliant affair.

Princess Victoria was present, and after the ceremony the bride and bridegroom drove to Marlborough House to receive the congratulations of Queen Alexandra.

DEATH OF A NOTED AMERICAN.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The death is announced in New York of Mr. John Bigelow.

[Note.—Mr. John Bigelow, who was born at Malden on Hudson, N. Y., on 25th November 1817, after being called to the bar, became part proprietor with W. C. Bryant of the New York Evening Post. After a few years of editorship he went to Paris as U. S. Consul and in 1867-68 became American Minister to the Court of France. Returning to America he took an active part in politics for many years. He was a very voluminous writer, his books embracing a variety of subjects.—E. C. G.]

THE SPY SCARE.

GERMANY MAKES WHOLE-SALE ARRESTS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 20.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent telegraphs that several policemen and naval men have been arrested at Wilhelmshaven suspected of espionage.

THE AGED-AUSTRIAN EMPEROR.

DISTRESSING NEWS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The Emperor Franz Joseph is suffering from severe catarrh. He is experiencing great weariness.

CLAIM FOR FREIGHT.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz, in original jurisdiction, at the Supreme Court this morning, the case was continued in which the Norddeutscher Lloyd sued the China Borneo Co., Ltd., to recover \$3,963.73, being freight due by defendant to plaintiff for carriage logs on the s.s. Borneo.

Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., appeared for plaintiff, instructed by Mr. D. V. Stevenson, and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., defended, instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall-Brutton.

Further evidence was given and the hearing was adjourned.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AN UNFOUNDED RUMOUR.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Army Service Corps Office.

Victoria Barracks, 20, Dec. 1911.

Dear Sir,—I should feel much obliged if you would contradict the paragraph inserted in your paper of the 19th inst. to the effect that the Chinese cooks in the garrison bakery had been dismissed, and a guard put over the bakery.

The Chinese bakers have not been dismissed nor has a guard been put over the bakery.—Yours faithfully,

F. P. S. TAYLOR, Major, Command A. S. Corps.

SPORTING

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

The 4th Club Race, for each class, was sailed on Saturday, 16th inst. The day was fine with a pleasant northerly wind.

Handicap Class.—The course was from the Club starting line, Channel Rocks (port), Kowloon Rock (port), Mark Boat on starting line (port), Channel Rocks (port), Kowloon Rock (port).

There were five competitors, being:—Dione, Iris, Colleen, Dorothea, Kathleen. A good start was made at 2.30 p.m. As usual Dione and Iris took the leading position and kept hard for supremacy. The times round the Mark Boat on the starting line on the first round were:—

Dione	3 16 31
Iris	3 16 50
Colleen	3 17 20
Dorothea	3 19 48
Kathleen	3 23 8

On the run Dione and Iris passed her and Dorothea passed Colleen. Kathleen also made up some lost ground, but on the beat to the Kowloon Rock she again fell back. Dione once more passed Iris and maintained her advantage. The finishing times were:—

Dione	4 18 35	4 18 35	4	13
Iris	4 17 11	4 17 11	3	13
Dorothea	4 20 42	4 20 42	4	18
Colleen	4 22 55	4 22 55	4	19
Kathleen	4 24 5	4 24 5	4	21
Rolla	did not start			

There were the usual five competitors in this class, viz:—Ailsa, Bonito II, Daphne, Alannah II, Halycon.

The course was from the starting line, Mark Boat Quarry Bay (port), Channel Rocks (port), Cust Rocks (port), Channel Rocks (star). The Ailsa again showed fine form and the Cust Rocks Buoy was reached and established a long lead, with Bonito second. Daphne and Alannah II had a foul which resulted in a protest by the latter.

The finishing times were:—

Ailsa	4 42 42	4	13
Bonito II	4 51 0	4	18
Daphne	4 59 0	4	19
Alannah II	4 59 52	4	20
Halycon	5 5 14	4	25

Mark must await result of the protest. Dinghy Class.—Course from starting line, Cust Rock Buoy (star), No. 1 Dock Buoy (star), Mark Boat on line (port), twice round, start and finish boat to East.

Although four boats faced the starter, viz:—Joan, No. 5, Mephistopheles and Halycon, owing to the Mark Boat having drifted some distance westward of the starting line, Mephistopheles and Halycon made a mistake. Apparently thinking that the Mark Boat was on the line they sailed accordingly and never crossed the line and therefore did not start. No. 5 was the only boat that started and sailing round the course she scored 2 marks.

The marks to date were as follows:—

Joan	13
No. 5	8
Sprito	9
Mephistopheles	4
Halycon	2

Marching Contest.

The Lection Guards in Peking have been holding a marching contest to while away the tedium of the winter. We take the following from the Peking Daily News:—

Yesterday (Dec. 3rd) proved an ideal day for the big Heavy Guard Contest. Fifty men from the Legation Guards appeared at the Polo Grounds at eight o'clock and without any preliminaries weighed in their equipment and prepared for the start. 55 pounds or 25 kilograms is no light matter under any circumstances but when this weight must be carried 25 kilometers, it is really a very severe load.

The men left the Polo Grounds between eight and nine o'clock and at eleven fifty the first man appeared on the return trip. Of all those who started only six were able to make the entire course. Sweating, soaked with mud and dust, they came toiling up to the finish with a bit of a run left as they approached the Line. Load were the cheers on every side whether it was fellow guardsmen or not.

The French made a remarkable performance and were the only team to finish every one of their team came hurrying up to the finish with only one cheer, having had to discard the other one on the way due to the intense pain it had caused him. The times made by the French were uniformly good which showed that all of them had great endurance and staying power.

The Germans also made a very fine showing and turned in some low scores. Much praise is due them on the fine form manifested. The Austrian and British did much better than the Americans who seemed ill-fitted to make the long trip with the unusual extra weight. Sgt. Rile however made an enviable record.

In the event no prizes were awarded as the German team took a wrong course for which they were not to blame.

THE MERCANTILE MARINE.

Assisting Officers to Qualify in Signalling.

In the House of Commons on November 16, Lord O. Bessborough asked the first Lord of the Admiralty whether a special committee was constituted to inquire into the question of signalling in the Mercantile Marine; if so, did the committee report; whether, in some of our largest lines of merchant mail, passenger, and cargo carrying ships, efficient signalling, more particularly Morse signalling at night, was absolutely indispensable at sea, and numerous complaints had been made as to signals made to these ships not being answered; and whether the Admiralty and the board of Trade would take steps to help officers of the Mercantile Marine not only to maintain the efficiency in signalling at which they had arrived, but to improve matters still further in this respect.

Dr. Macnamara.—A committee was appointed and their report was published in 1906. The signalling of the Mercantile Marine as a whole has much improved lately, and the reports received by the Admiralty at stated intervals are satisfactory. It is, I regret to say, the case that the directors of certain of the large steam companies have not seen their way to meet the efforts of the Admiralty to encourage signalling on board their ships. I am, however, glad to say that the officers of the Mercantile Marine, generally have shown a desire to make themselves proficient in signalling. The Admiralty are fully alive to the importance of this question, and, as I stated on November 1, have for some time past had under consideration the best means of assisting officers of the Mercantile Marine to maintain signalling. It is hoped soon to make an announcement on the subject.

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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	NYANZA	About 21st Dec.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP	SYRIA	About 10th Jan.	Freight and Passage.

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From Hongkong:

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STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
MONTAGLE	SATURDAY, 30th DEC.	
EMPEROR OF INDIA	1912	
EMPEROR OF JAPAN	SATURDAY, 27th JAN.	
EMPEROR OF IRELAND	1912	
EMPEROR OF IRELAND	FRIDAY, 23rd FEB.	
EMPEROR OF IRELAND	SATURDAY, 24th FEB.	
EMPEROR OF IRELAND	FRIDAY, 22nd MAR.	

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.	KAWACHI MARU, Capt. H. Peterson, Tons 7000	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec.
	KITANO MARU, Capt. P. E. Cope, Tons 9000	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Jan., at Daylight.
	IYO MARU, Capt. R. Takada, Tons 7000	WEDNESDAY, 17th Jan., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, KAIKAI & YOKOHAMA.	TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Noda, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.
	AWA MARU, Capt. T. Iizawa, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. AND SEATTLE.	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. B. Kon, Tons 7000	SATURDAY, 30th Dec., from KOBE.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURS, DAY ISLAND, TOWNS, VILLE AND BRISBANE.	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 19th Jan., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 9000	THURSDAY, 21st Dec., at 11 a.m.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, COLOMBO.	BOMBAY MARU, Capt. Noma, Tons 5000	TUESDAY, 20th Dec.

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
TANGO MARU	8000	K. Kawara	Feb. 14th
KAMO MARU	8000	T. L. Somner	Feb. 28th
AKI MARU	7000	K. Homa	March 12th
MISHIMA MARU	9000	A. O. Moses	March 26th
KAGA MARU	7000	M. Hagino	April 9th
ATSUMI MARU	8000	Wm. Thompson	April 23rd
SHIMAZU MARU	7000	T. Tanawaki	May 7th
HIYASAKI MARU	8000	T. M. Hime	May 21st
INABA MARU	7000	S. Tominga	Feb. 27th
TAMBA MARU	7000	K. Noda	March 13th
SAKUKI MARU	7000	K. Noda	March 27th
AWA MARU	7000	T. Iizawa	April 10th
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Steamer Tons Date of Sailing

* NIPPON MARU 11,000 A. G. Stevens Friday, Dec. 22, at Noon.

* TENYO MARU 21,000 E. Bent Friday, Dec. 29, at Noon.

* SHIMOYU MARU 21,000 S. S. Smith Friday, Jan. 19, at Noon.

* CHIOYU MARU 21,000 W. W. Greene Friday, Feb. 16, at Noon.

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HONGKONG MARU 11,000 Friday, June 7, at Noon.

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Outward

For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama

S.S. SEGOUA 20th Dec.

S.S. SILESIA 1st Jan.

S.S. AMERI 10th Jan.

S.S. GOLDEN FLEET 24th Jan.

S.S. EUREKA 8th Feb.

S.S. PUEBLO 22nd Feb.

S.S. BELGRAVIA 1st Mar.

S.S. SAIGON 15th Mar.

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STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SANDAKAN	FRIDAY, Dec. 22, at Noon.
MANILA	SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at 2 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & KUTSANG	SUNDAY, Dec. 24, Daylight.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27, at 3 p.m.
MANILA	FRIDAY, Dec. 29, at Noon.
LOONGSANG	SATURDAY, Dec. 30, at 2 p.m.

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Hongkong, December 11, 1911.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	CHINWA	Dec. 21, at 4 p.m.
WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	WUHU	Dec. 21, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBANGA and USUAL	TAIWAN	Dec. 22, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HUICHOW	Dec. 24, Midnight.
MANILA, CEBU & LOILO	TAMING	Dec. 26, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Dec. 28, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	LEWAN	Dec. 30, Midnight.

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ASSAYE	7500	Feb. 3	MANTUA	11000	March 3	March 8
HIMALAYA	7000	Feb. 17	MACEONIA	10500	March 16	March 22
DELHI	8000	March 2	MORBA	11000	March 30	April 5
INDIA	8000	March 16	Through Steamer		April 13	April 19
DEVANHA	8000	March 30	MOLDAVIA	11000	April 27	May 3
DELTA	8000	April 13	MALAYA	12500	May 11	May 17
ASSAYE	7500	April 27	MONGOLIA	10000	May 25	May 31
DELHI	8000	May 11	MALWA	11000	June 8	June 14

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NYANZA	7000	February about 7	March 22
NILE	7000	March 6	April 17
NUBIA	6000	April 3	May 19
SUMATRA	5000	April 17	May 31
NAMUR	7000	May 1	June 14
PALAWAN	5000	May 15	June 29
BORNEO	5000	May 29	July 13
STRIA	7000	June 12	July 27
MORE	7000	June 26	August 10

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HAIKUN Capt. A. H. Stewart THURSDAY, 21st Dec., at 11 A.M.

WATSON Capt. J. S. Roach SUNDAY, 24th Dec., at 11 A.M.

KAOCHING Capt. W. C. Passmore TUESDAY, 26th Dec., at 11 A.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN
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NEXT SAILING.

From HONGKONG. 23rd December.
From COLOMBO. 17th January.

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GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, TON, ANTWERP & BREMEN.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, BURLOW, Capt. H. Formes, THURSDAY, 28th Dec., at Noon. (16,900)

Kobe & Yokohama.

MANILA, YAP, ANGAUR, SAMA, PRINZ SIGISMUND, Capt. D. Lenz, SATURDAY, 30th Dec., at 10 a.m. (6,000)

BAU NEU GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

ROBE and YOKOHAMA, PRINZ WALDEMAR, Capt. H. Bremer, TUESDAY, 9th Jan., at Noon. (8,100)

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EMPIRE	Dec. 20.	Jan. 8th, at Noon.
ST. PAULS	Jan. 12.	Feb. 3rd, at Noon.
EASTERN	Feb. 9.	Mar. 2nd, at Noon.
ALDENHAM	Feb. 23.	Mar. 18th, at Noon.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st of December, 1911, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, December 19, 1911.

Notices to Consignees

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, Fiume, PORT SAID, SUEZ, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Perla* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

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Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Underigned before Noon on the 24th December, 1911, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 24th December, 1911, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 19, 1911.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMER CALDONIA.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from LONDON ex s.s. *Bretan* & *Maek*, in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Optum, Treasure and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after their landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded at unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned, and Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th December, 1911, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to us on or before the 27th December, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on the 27th December, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

E. THOMAS, Agent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1911.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM NEW YORK.

THE H.A.L. Steamship ARAGORNIA, Captain Myers, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after their landing.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th Dec. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, December 19, 1911.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship PRINZ LUDWIG, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Optum, Treasure and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st of December, 1911, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 21st of December, at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned.

Ex s.s. *Rhenania* from Zanzibar via Port Said.

Ex s.s. *Seckelburg* from Zanzibar via Port Said.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOHRS & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, December 14, 1911.

THE CHINA MAIL.

Typhoon Map & Guide.

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